

[Please amend claim 3 as follows:]

- 1           3. (Amended) An anti-scaling device according to claim 1, wherein there are pairs of  
2   spike units disposed in a diametrically opposed relationship relative to the central body portion.

[Please amend claim 4 as follows:]

- 1           4. (Amended) An anti-scaling device according to claim 1, wherein the central body  
2   portion has spigots for mounting the spike units.

[Please amend claim 5 as follows:]

- 1           5. (Amended) An anti-scaling device according to claim 1 further comprising serrated  
2   webs extending outwardly from the central body portion between the spike units.

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[Please amend claim 6 as follows:]

- 1           6. (Amended) An anti-scaling device according to claim 5, wherein the serrated webs  
2   extend along radial axes displaced 45° from the radial axes of the spike units.

[Please amend claim 7 as follows:]

- 1           7. (Amended) An anti-scaling device according to claim 1, wherein rows of sharp-edged  
2   teeth are axially aligned along the central body portion.

[Please amend claim 8 as follows:]

- 1           8. (Amended) An anti-scaling device according to claim 1, wherein the spike units are in  
2   the form of partially rotatable serrated propellers.